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- ☒ Specification (including Abstract) and claims: 10 pages.
- ☒ 3 sheets of drawings (formal).
- ☐ Application Data Sheet.
- ☒ Newly unexecuted Declaration (copy).
- ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application.
- ☐ Separate Power of Attorney (including 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, if applicable).
- ☐ Microfiche computer program (Appendix).
- ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission, including:  
☐ Computer readable copy ☐ Paper Copy ☐ Verified Statement.
- ☐ Under PTO-1595 Cover Sheet, an assignment of the invention
- ☒ Name of Assignee: **ESKA Implants GmbH & Co.**
- ☐ Certified copy(ies) of Application No(s). filed is/are filed:  
☐ herewith or ☐ in prior application .
- ☒ Applicant, by its undersigned attorney, claims Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 as ☐ an Independent Inventor, or ☒ a Small Business Concern, or ☐ a Non-Profit Organization.
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A, and cited references.
- ☐ Request for Nonpublication of Application Under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)
- ☐ Other:

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Independent	1- 3 =	0	X42	\$	OR	X84	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claims Present			\$140	\$	OR	\$280	\$
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 375.00</b>	OR	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>

- ☐ The Commissioner is not authorized to charge the filing fee at this time as we elect to defer payment of the entire filing fee until receipt of a Notice to File Missing Parts
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- ☒ Any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17.
- ☒ In the event that a Petition for Extension of Time is required during the prosecution of this application, but not submitted, please charge any extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to our Deposit Account noted above.

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